

As a leader in child development, Penfield Children's Center helps children with and without disabilities reach their full potential by providing early education, health and wellness services, and family programs.

Today, we serve more than 1,500 children annually by offering high-quality services in a safe and stimulating environment.



### Early Education and Care

Penfield Children's Center provides a fully-inclusive Early Education and Child Care program for children 6-weeks to 6-years-old. Our infant, toddler and preschool age program is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and awarded a 5-star rating by YoungStar. Penfield employs a child-centered, exploratory approach to early learning.

- 88.1% of our children demonstrated progress in social-emotional objectives, such as regulating emotions and behaviors, forming positive relationships, and participating in group activities.
- 93.2% of our children progressed in physical development, such as traveling, balancing and gross-motor manipulative skills and fine-motor strengthening/coordination.
- Approximately 40% of children in our Early Education and Care program have a disability or developmental delay, such as cerebral palsy or autism.

### Special Care Nursing Services

Our Special Care Nursing Services provides evidence-based nursing care to children from birth to age five with chronic health conditions and medical challenges. Nursing staff provide medical care and interventions, case management for the child and families for continuity of care, therapy, and education for families and staff to provide holistic, child-centered care.

- 47 children received Special Care Nursing Services and our registered nurse provided 780 nursing contacts to infant and young children. The registered nurse provided care that included assessments and interventions for acute and chronic illnesses, medical appointments, and medication management last year.
- 100% of parents with children who required skilled nursing services received support from Penfield's nursing team. This support included hospital and home visits, phone calls, consultations, and more.
- 96.3% of children who received nursing services improved their cognitive and motor skills.

## Behavior Clinic

The Behavior Clinic is an outpatient mental health clinic that provides services to children six years old and younger and their caregiver to address behavioral and emotional concerns. Some examples include: temper tantrums, aggression, not listening or sleep problems.

The Behavior Clinic also provides therapy and support to young children who have experienced a traumatic or stressful event. Such events can include physical, emotional, or sexual abuse, witnessing violence in the home or neighborhood, life transitions such as divorce, frequent moving or homelessness.

The Behavior Clinic program provides these in-home therapy services to children and their caregivers who live in Milwaukee and Waukesha counties.

— 72.2% of children who received treatment demonstrated a decrease in behavioral challenges as measured by the Early Childhood Behavior Screen.

— 88.6% of parents indicated high satisfaction with the Early Pathways program as measured by the Family Satisfaction Survey.

— 68% of children who received treatment through the Behavior Clinic reduced their trauma symptoms as measured by the Preschool Inventory of Trauma Symptoms.

## Birth to Three

The Milwaukee County Children, Youth, and Family Services Special Education Birth to Three Program at Penfield is available to children with a 25% developmental delay or a diagnosed condition that puts them at risk for a delay. It provides a partnership between parents or caregivers and a team of early intervention professionals (OT, PT, Speech, Educators, Service Coordinators) that work together to increase each child's abilities and help them reach their full potential.

— 940 children received Birth-to-Three services from Penfield staff last year.

— 97.22% of children displayed developmental improvement in motor skills and 95.41% of children improved in cognitive skills.

— 94.5% of children displayed signs of developmental improvement in communication skills.



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**“Never underestimate  
the capacity  
of the very young,  
and never, never let  
them down”**

**-Dr. Wilder Penfield**

